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Photo by Senior Airman Dallas Edwards  
Staff Sgt. Michael Bacon, 39th Air Base Wing Safety Office, performs at the Oktoberfest Saturday. See related photo, Page 12.

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Photo by Airman Bradley Lail

A member of the 39th Security Forces Squadron clears the way for other Airmen to charge forward toward an empty hangar during an exercise preparing for this month's U.S. Air Forces in Europe Inspector General Unit Compliance Inspection. The base passed the inspection with an overall satisfactory. See related story, Page 4.

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Incirlik kicks off the fall season with a base haunted house. See related photo, page 6. (Photo by Airman Bradley Lail.)

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# Wingman Day

## USAFE stands down to focus on Airmen well-being

By Tech. Sgt. Mona Ferrell  
USAFE News Service

**RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany**—Focusing on the time-honored tradition of Airmen taking care of Airmen, U.S. Air Forces in Europe is having a Wingman Day Monday.

Consisting of a full-day stand down for the entire command, Wingman Day will focus on raising the awareness level of the Air Force's most important asset—its people, said Gen. Robert H. "Doc" Foglesong, USAFE commander.

Wingman Day will include wing, group and squadron-level briefings and interactive discussions down to the lowest level in flights or sections throughout the command.

"We all recognize the demand our current operational tempo places on each of us and our families," the general said. "The recent increase in suicides across our Air Force is evidence more attention is warranted on these stressors— from the top to the bottom of our

chain of command."

Incorporated with the rollout of Combat Wingman, USAFE's newest combat program, Wingman Day will focus on the whole-person wellness approach using the four dimensions of wellness model, said Col. (Dr.) Mark Ediger, USAFE Surgeon General director.

"Wellness is the major deterrent to suicide and key to living a fulfilling life," said Dr. Ediger. "The four dimensions of wellness—our physical, emotional, social and spiritual anchors—enhance our resilience and prepare us to weather the storms and stressors of work and our lives in general. The four dimensions also give us a useful framework for assessing the strength of our wingmen to weather their storms."

The four dimensions of wellness go beyond individual awareness, said Gen. John P. Jumper, Chief of Staff of the Air Force.

"When we join the Air Force, we become a part of a unique culture, and the foundation of

this 'Culture of Airmen' is our core values—integrity first, service before self and excellence in all we do," General Jumper said. "This culture and these core values compel us as Airmen to take care of one another."

While the wingman concept is not new, Wingman Day and Combat Wingman are being used collectively to broaden the radar-scope, General Foglesong said.

"We can all be proud of our accomplishments over the last two years making our nation a safer place," the general said. "Our USAFE mission has played a significant role to this end. But, now more than ever it is imperative that we check each other's six."

"Wingman Day is kicking our efforts off, but this isn't a program that can be put to bed at the end of the day," he continued. "It's our duty and responsibility to institute Combat Wingman in our daily lives. We all need to be good wingmen and be guardians of each other's well being."

## Veteran's Day: Continuing the Legacy

By Gen. Robert H. "Doc" Foglesong  
Commander, U.S. Air Forces in Europe

On Veteran's Day, we take time to acknowledge and honor America's heroes—the men and women who currently wear and have worn the uniform in our country's defense.

As we pause to pay respect to our veterans' service, we are reminded that they represent the courage and dedication that are the cornerstones of liberty. It's with a deep sense of gratitude that I thank all veterans for their commitment and service. Without you, our nation wouldn't have the freedoms we enjoy today.

Veterans have served our nation in both war and peace and many have paid dearly, physically and mentally, during their service. Today, we continue to build on the legacy of those who served before us.

This legacy is visible as I travel and talk with the great men and women of USAFE. We appreciate your dedication, professionalism and focus which ensures continued mission success.

From supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom to humanitarian operations in Europe and Africa, you are performing the hard and dangerous work required to bring peace and stability to the troubled spots of the world.

To the veterans, thank you for the legacy of excellence you have given us. Your service and dedication to our nation and to the ideals America represents are second to none!

## AF leaders send Vets Day message

**WASHINGTON**—The following is a Veterans Day message from Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James Roche and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper:

"Each year, America honors its veterans for the sacrifices and hard-fought successes of so many of its citizens—those who have worn the uniform as Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Coast Guardsmen and Marines.

"The original Armistice Day recognized the cease-fire signed by Germany and the Allied powers on November 11, 1918. This concluded the hostilities of World War I, known as the "War to end all wars." Over two million service members of the American Expeditionary Force fought bravely on and over the battlefields of Europe.

"Today, our expeditionary Air Force continues the fight in defense of freedom around the world against a resilient enemy who opposes our way of life.

"Since those challenging days at the dawn of the 20th Century to the awakening hours of the 21st Century, we have witnessed major wars and countless conflicts. One constant has remained: the commitment of those who served and continue to serve our nation in forever challenging times—our veterans. We honor their memory for what they have done to keep America and the world safe.

"To our Airmen who continue the fight against those who have made America their target, we salute you. We thank you and your families for your constant vigil and your continuing sacrifices. May God bless you and the United States of America."



# More than just SAT USAFE UCI ends, top performers recognized

By Airman 1st Class Stephanie Hammer  
39th Air Base Wing Public Affairs office

After more than a week of intense scrutiny by the U.S. Air Forces in Europe's Inspector General team, the 39th Air Base Wing's unit compliance inspection ended on a positive note.

At the outbrief Oct. 26, Col. B. Dawn Wheeler, USAFE inspector general, praised Team Incirlik's hard work and initiative.

"This is one tough team," said Col. Wheeler. "(This base) has such a fantastic group of people."

"You have no idea how far we've come - we're now in compliance," said Col. Michael Gardiner, 39th ABW commander. "The progress we've made is immense and all because of the hard work of every Airmen on this base. It was a great effort and a great performance, and I'm proud to work beside every one of you."

## IG Award of Excellence

- Tech. Sgt. Raymond Boyd, 39th Communications Squadron
- Agnes Lopez, 39th CS
- Ernestina Valdez, 39th Air Base Wing staff
- 39th Services Squadron Library
- 39th Mission Support Squadron Family Support Center
- Izmir Consolidated Club
- 39th MSS Manpower and Organization Flight

## IG pat on the backs

- Capt. Dallas Little, 39th ABW staff
- 2nd Lt. Keith Dieter, 39th Comptroller Squadron
- Master Sgt. Julie Layton, 39th CS
- Tech. Sgt. Robert Bean, Ankara
- Tech. Sgt. Melissa Erb, 39th Security Forces Squadron
- Tech. Sgt. Kendrick Moorer, 39th CS
- Tech. Sgt. Kimberly Latimer, 39th Civil Engineer Squadron
- Tech. Sgt. Seng Thong, 39th Maintenance Squadron
- Staff Sgt. Craig Brodber, 39th MSS
- Staff Sgt. Shaney Bowlds, 39th Mission Support Group
- Staff Sgt. Regina Brown, 39th ABW staff
- Staff Sgt. Rhoeka Daniel, 39th MXS
- Staff Sgt. Curtis Dawson, 39th SFS
- Staff Sgt. Rickett Edwards, 39th Logistics Readiness Squadron
- Staff Sgt. Carol Hodges, 39th SFS
- Staff Sgt. Lorraine Moore, 39th CPTS
- Staff Sgt. Angel Motley, 39th MSS
- Staff Sgt. Steve Replogle, 39th MXS
- Staff Sgt. Julie Vanhise, 39th MXS
- Staff Sgt. Charity Wacaster, 39th CS
- Staff Sgt. April Willis, 39th MXS
- Senior Airman Jerry Klein, 39th CPTS
- Airman Ashley Fears, 39th CS
- Esma Bingul, 425th Air Base Squadron
- Remzi Esberk, 39th SVS
- William Robinson, 39th MSS
- Bilgi Sancak, 39th CPTS
- Peter Sheairs, 39th SFS
- 39th SFS Anti-Terrorism and Force Protection Office
- 39th SFS Combat Arms section
- 39th LRS Contingency Plans and Training Element
- 39th LRS Equipment Management Element
- 39th SVS Hodja Lakes Golf Course
- 39th Operations Squadron Intelligence Flight
- 39th ABW International and Operations Law section
- 39th SFS laundry plant
- 39th SVS Magic Carpet Bowling Lanes
- 39th CS Meteorological and Navigational Aids
- 39th ABW Military Equal Opportunity Office
- 39th SFS Military Working Dog section
- 39th MXS Munitions Inspection Element
- 39th SFS Pass and Registration section
- 39th SVS Readiness
- 39th CES Readiness Flight
- 39th ABW Public Affairs Office
- 39th CS Visual Imagery and Intrusion Detection Systems
- 39th CS Web Development Team
- 39th ABW Wing Readiness Program

## Base Airmen go above, beyond during UCI exercise

By Staff Sgt. Shanda De Anda  
39th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

The Oct. 20 natural disaster exercise was just one of the areas Team Incirlik excelled at as part of the Unit Compliance Inspection. Although the type of exercise and its day and time were kept a mystery until it actually happened, Incirlik Airmen proved they were ready for whatever, whenever.

"For Team Incirlik, this exercise contributed to the 39th Air Base Wing's overall UCI rating and helped provide an assessment of the combat-readiness of our Airmen," said Col. Michael Gardiner, 39th ABW commander. "This exercise was proof positive that the lessons learned during exercises in September were taken to heart to make needed improvements, but we must continue to strive to keep standards high and training effective."

Given the possibly accumulated stress from the days, weeks and months Airmen spent in preparation for the UCI, this exercise demanded focus, attention to detail, professionalism and a sense of urgency in the execution of actions – Team Incirlik delivered.

EET members and the U.S. Air Forces in Europe Inspector's General team also recognized several positives during the exercise.

Consistent with what could be a reality during an actual earthquake, Incirlik simulated structural and other damage, including the partial collapse of Buildings 482 and 556.

At Building 482, several Airmen snapped

into action and administered buddy care: **Capt. Michael Kennebrae**, 39th Contracting Squadron flight commander; **Capt. Christopher Jensen**, 39th CONS infrastructure flight commander; **Tech Sgt. Brian Blair**, 39th Communications Squadron information management; **Tech. Sgt. David Stamper**, 39th CS base emissions security manager; and **Staff Sgt. Richard Shipman**, 39th CONS contract specialist.

"These individuals performed near perfect buddy care – not only did they display a sense of urgency, but their actions were selfless," said Major McNease. "The actions of these individuals wowed the evaluators and one commented that in his four years as an EET member, he had never seen buddy care done so well."

At Building 556, 39th Security Forces Squadron **Airmen 1st Class Daniel Gehring**, vehicle control officer, and **Simeon Gough**, assistant VCO, relayed vital information regarding the location and identity of several people who were trapped in the wreckage during the simulated collapse.

"Although there was nothing these Airmen could do to rescue the individuals believed to be trapped, they understood that it was imperative that they relay the information to the unit control center," Major McNease said. "Of the nine people trapped, the two Airmen were able to positively relay the identities of seven of them."

The 39th Operations Squadron Airfield management personnel were also impacted by the simulated earthquake. Unable to leave their

posts to conduct an airfield inspection to assess post-earthquake damage, **Senior Airman Byron Dawson** and **Airman 1st Class Victor Hewett** had to make a difficult decision to ensure the safety of airfield operations.

"Displaying a maturity beyond their time in service, Airmen Dawson and Hewett closed the runway until others could conduct an inspection and assess the extent of damage," said Major McNease.

During the flurry of action that followed Incirlik's simulated earthquake, which registered a 6.9 on the Richter scale, 39th MXG and 39th MXS staff were busy standing up their UCC and ensuring accountability. **Tech. Sgt. Brad Trantham**, 39th MXS assistant munitions control NCO in charge, and **Staff Sgt. Derek Gilbert**, 39th MXS munitions, were instrumental in personnel accountability. **Master Sgt. Ira Adcock**, 39th Maintenance Group Maintenance Operations Center superintendent, and **Tech. Sgt. Theresa Allen-Edwards**, 39th MXG work group manager, were critical in the setup of the UCC.

"Airmen must train as realistically as possible, which includes executing functions with the sense of urgency the situation demands," said Colonel Gardiner. "Incirlik Airmen proved during this natural disaster exercise that they have what it takes to do that. We must meet future training and exercises with the same vigor this time and every time to ensure Airmen are prepared for the fight – lives may depend on it."

# Getting vaccinated

## Flu shots set for deployed and deploying servicemembers, high-risk beneficiaries

*Servicemembers deployed to U.S. Central Command theater of operations, South Korea DOD's highest priority*

**By Jim Garamone**

American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** – Deployed and deploying servicemembers are among the priority groups to receive the flu vaccine, Defense Department officials said Oct. 13.

Chiron, the main supplier of flu vaccine has a plant in Britain. Recently British regulators halted production there. While DOD is affected by the British rejection of Chiron's flu vaccine, all high-risk beneficiaries and all operationally deployed servicemembers will be vaccinated on time this flu season.

Officials said there are about 2.2 million servicemembers and high-risk beneficiaries. The immunization program is underway.

Troops deployed to the U.S. Central Command theater of operations and to South Korea are DOD's highest priority, and the department already has shipped vaccine to those theaters, officials said. High-risk beneficiaries who will receive priority on the flu shots are: children ages 6 to 23 months, adults older than 65, all pregnant women, women caring for children younger than 6 months old, health-care workers and anyone with underlying health conditions.

DOD has another source of the vaccine. The department has 1.3 million doses coming from a company unaffected by the British action. It has delivered 680,000 doses already, with the rest coming in the next eight weeks. The department also is pursuing a contract with the makers of the nasal flu vaccine Flumist. This can be used only by healthy persons between the ages of 2 and 49.

"Like the rest of Air Force, Incirlik's supply of influenza vaccine will be limited this year," said Maj. Nicole Avci, 39th Medical Squadron public health officer in charge. "Thus, we will



Photo by Airman Bradley Lail

Staff Sergeant Lori Freeman, 39th Medical Squadron immunizations and allergy technician, gives Airman 1st Class Dan Hill, 728th Air Mobility Squadron air transportation cargo worker, a shot. Deployed and deploying servicemembers are among the priority groups to receive the flu vaccine this year, according to Defense Department officials.

have to follow the prioritization list established by the U.S. Air Force Surgeon General's office and the Centers for Disease Control.

"As of Oct. 22, we do not know exactly how much total vaccine we will receive, and thus cannot say exactly how many people we will be able to vaccinate," she said.

Healthy servicemembers who are not scheduled for deployment will be deferred from receiving the vaccination until the more critical categories receive their shots, officials said.

Flu vaccinations are normally mandatory for all servicemembers. The flu is contagious, and depending on the strain, can cause illness or even death. According to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates, between 5 and 20 percent of Americans get the flu each year.

(Staff Sgt. Shanda De Anda also contributed to this article.)

### Tips to help avoid the Flu this season



The 39th Medical Squadron staff recommends the following pointers to help people in the Incirlik community avoid coming down with and spreading the flu:

#### **Avoid close contact**

It is advised that people avoid close contact with others who are sick. Also, when individuals are ill it is recommended that they keep their distance from others to help protect them from getting ill.

#### **Stay home**

If possible, people are encouraged to stay home from work, school and errands when ill. This will help prevent the further spread of the illness.

#### **Cover mouth, nose**

It is strongly advised that people cover mouths and noses with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. This may help prevent those around you from getting sick.

#### **Clean hands**

It is recommended that people wash their hands often to help protect them from germs.

#### **Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth**

Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose or mouth. It is strongly encouraged that people avoid touching their eyes, nose and mouth to help prevent this contamination.

(Courtesy 39th Medical Squadron)

# Leaders unveil updated utility uniform color scheme, pattern

## New test version includes design changes incorporated September based on Airmen feedback

By Tech. Sgt. David A. Jablonski  
Air Force Print News

**WASHINGTON** – Responding to Airmen’s feedback, Air Force leaders unveiled an alternative utility uniform color scheme and pattern Tuesday as part of the ongoing wear-test that was announced in August.

Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James Roche, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper and Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Gerald Murray are now wearing the latest test version of the utility uniform during visits to Airmen serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The most striking change in this version is the switch from a deep blue, gray and green color scheme to a more subdued mix of tan, blue and two shades of green. And the tiger-stripe pattern is now pixilated.

This test version includes design changes incorporated in September based on feedback from Airmen.

More than 700 people at 32 installations are wear-testing the first test uniform. These Airmen participated in scientific surveys and focus groups. Their feedback was instrumental in making these most recent adjustments. The original plan called for only 300 testers, but uniform board officials decided to increase the number of testers to get more exposure and collect more test data. A select group will test the newest version.

Data showed that a service-unique appearance was very important to Airmen.

“Ninety-one percent of the Airmen responded in favor of a distinctive Air Force utility uniform,” Chief Murray said. “Airmen take great pride in serving in America’s Air Force. Having a distinct uniform that presents a professional appearance to the public and our sister services, when we are at home station or deployed, is important.”

A unique Air Force-designed uniform has another big advantage.

“Our new utility uniform incorporates a unique fit tailored for men and women, and a variety of realistic sizes beyond just small, medium and large,” the chief said. “More than 20 percent of our Airmen are women, and we continually received feedback on how the male uniforms they currently wear do not fit well. Fit and comfort are important for all Airmen to project a professional military image.”

Officials said they are reaping additional benefits of this particular uniform wear-test process.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. David Jablonski

The Air Force utility uniform’s revised colors include tan, blue and two shades of green in a pixilated tiger-stripe pattern. Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James Roche, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper and Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Gerald Murray are wearing the updated utility uniform during visits to Airmen serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Air Force Clothing Office officials took detailed measurements of as many body types as possible and recorded them into a database for future uniform design studies. Since the last such measurement in the 1960s, officials discovered that the average Airmen now has a more athletic build.

Not only are Airmen more fit to fight; they are deployed more often and for longer periods than ever before. There is no time to fuss over finicky uniforms, officials said.

“The wash and wear uniform will be easier and cheaper to maintain,” said Senior Master Sgt. Jacqueline Dean, uniform board superintendent. “The permanent-press treatment eliminates the need for ironing, and home washing can save an Airman from \$180 to \$240 in laundry costs over the course of a year.”

Sergeant Dean oversees the wear test and leads the uniform board’s campaign to display the uniform as much as possible in a variety of locations.

“The wear test allows Airmen around the world to see the uniform in work places and to give feedback on its appearance, comfort, function and maintenance,” Sergeant Dean said. “The chief of staff took that feedback into consideration when making the decision to move forward with expanding the test to include the new color and pattern.”

Special operations and survival, evasion, resistance and escape Airmen will field-test the new utility uniform’s pattern and colors to see how they perform in extreme conditions.

In January 2005, the uniform board will standardize the pattern, material and specifications and deliver the results to the Defense Logistics Agency for production. Normal production to delivery time can take 18 to 24 months.



# Defense Act increases pay, provides benefits

By Jim Garamone  
American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** – President Bush signed the \$420.6 billion National Defense Authorization Act Oct. 28.

This makes up 19.9 percent of the total fiscal 2005 federal budget and 3.6 percent of the gross domestic product. Last year, the percentages were 20.2 percent and 3.8 percent, respectively.

The authorization act is the second of two bills that had to become law for the Defense Department to operate. The first is the Defense Appropriations Act, which the president signed into law Aug. 5. The appropriations act provides the money; the authorization act gives DOD the OK to spend it.

The act funds a 3.5 percent across-the-board pay raise for servicemembers, and eliminates out-of-pocket expenses for housing by increasing the basic allowance for housing. It also makes permanent increases in hostile fire and imminent danger pay to \$225 per month, and in family separation pay to \$250 per month.

It also allows the base realignment and closure process to move forward. The House version of the bill would have delayed the process for two years.

The act authorizes a number of programs for reserve-component servicemembers.

On the medical side, it provides for up to 90 days of Tricare coverage for reservists and their families who are mobilized. It also authorizes 180 days of transitional Tricare health benefits

for reservists, active-duty members and their families after separation from active duty.

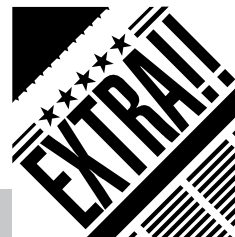
In addition, members of the selected reserve earn a year's eligibility for Tricare for each 90 days of service in a contingency.

"If a guardsman or reservist has served for at least 30 days called up on a contingency operation, then had 90 days of service," said Dr. William Winkenwerder, "for each 90 days of service, they're eligible for a full year of Tricare coverage if they sign up for another year of reserve service." Dr. Winkenwerder is assistant secretary of defense for health affairs.

The bill authorizes a new reserve-component educational assistance program tied to the Montgomery GI Bill. The provision has different rates, depending on the length of active-duty service. It is 40 percent for service of 90 days to one year, 60 percent for one year to two years, and 80 percent for more than two consecutive years.

It also speeds up concurrent-receipt payments for retirees rated 100 percent disabled. In the past, retirees had their pay docked dollar for dollar by the amount of disability payments the Department of Veterans Affairs paid them. Last year, Congress authorized a phase-in process that would eliminate the concurrent-receipt prohibition over a decade.

On the family- and bachelor-housing front, the act eliminates a statutory ceiling on the privatization of housing. In the program, which allows DOD to leverage public money with private contractors, the services can build and renovate family and bachelor housing.



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## Road closure

"A" Street is one-way between 4th and 7th streets until 4 p.m. Sunday. The closure is in support of the communications squadron's project to upgrade the base communication cable distribution system. For more information, call Paul Swinney, 39th Civil Engineer Squadron construction management chief, at 6-8020.

## Power outage

There will be a major power outage for the entire north side of the base Saturday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. The outage is necessary to repair damaged high-voltage cables near the intersection of B Street and 4th Street. For more information, call Mursit Polat at 6-3433.

## Water outage

There will be a limited water outage for several base facilities Tuesday and Wednesday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Facilities with no water are Buildings 958 and 999, and facilities with low water pressure are Buildings 960, 962, 964, 965 and 970. The water outage is necessary to install new communication duct lines underneath the existing high-pressurized water line on 4th Street between A and B streets. For more information, call Mursit Polat at 6-3433.

## Overseas fuel price changes

The November sell prices reflect the following average increases per gallon by grade: regular - 0.114 cents; mid-grade - 0.113 cents; premium - 0.110 cents; and diesel - 0.203 cents. According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, gas prices are up an average of more than 0.46 cents a gallon from this time last year.

In Turkey, the new AAFES price for normal unleaded gasoline is \$1.966 per gallon. The price for super-unleaded fuel is \$2.34 and the price for diesel fuel remains at \$2.28.

The increase in price for gas and diesel corresponds to price increases in the United States, but are still lower than in many states for the same time period.

According to the latest news reports, China's growing economy and recent hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico have pushed the global demand for oil higher. Expect gasoline prices to remain high as long as demand remains strong and inventories remain lower than expected. (Courtesy of AAFES Public Affairs.)



1st Lt. Erik Renaud, 39th Civil Engineer Squadron officer in charge of readiness plans and operations, applies fake blood to Senior Airman Kyle Hendrickson's ears and nose to give the effect of looking like he was electrocuted at the base haunted house Oct. 29. Airman Hendrickson is a readiness journeyman with the 39th CES.

Photo by Airman Bradley Lail

# COMMANDER'S



By Col. Michael Gardiner, 39th Air Base Wing commander

## Geico military service award winners

Congratulations to Staff Sgt. Michael Bacon for winning the 2004 Geico Military Service Award for traffic safety and traffic accident prevention. Good luck in the upcoming Air-Force level competition.

## Reflective belts

In addition to our mission responsibilities, safety applies to our daily routine. We took a major write-up from the IG during the UCI and I have noticed a disturbing decline in the number of people on base wearing reflective belts. Reflective belts are required for U.S. military personnel in uniform or exercising outside during the hours of darkness. The policy is for your safety, and I expect everyone at every level to reduce unnecessary risks.

## Use of the track

Now that the school track is open again, there are specific guidelines that need to be followed before using it. During the regular duty day, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., the schools have exclusive use of the track, adjacent football and soccer fields and the tennis courts. No other

agency will use these areas without coordinating with the principals, assistant principals or athletic director. This is because the educational process cannot be impeded in any manner. For use of these areas during any other period of time, interested agencies should contact the person on duty at the base fitness center who is responsible for scheduling.

## Motorcyclists

Until further notice, no person may operate a motorcycle off the installation until they have attended the mandatory motorcycle safety refresher course. Also, there are new penalties for riding without complete personal protective equipment. For the first offense, your motorcycle driving privileges will be revoked for one month. For the second offense, your motorcycle driving privileges will be permanently revoked while at Incirlik.

## Properly disposing of sensitive information

We must all take our responsibility to properly dispose of sensitive information seriously. Terrorist groups and others who seek to exploit can obtain targeting information through many means. Historically, one important source of information is a collection technique known as "trash cover." Trash cover is a means of obtaining information by examining trash – at work or home. Terrorist groups have used this procedure in Turkey in the past. Although information may not be marked classified, it is imperative that all employees and family members are aware that certain information should never be thrown out until it is shredded or destroyed. Segregate documents that may contain sensitive information from those that don't. Properly dispose of these sensitive materials by using a shredder. This simple procedure will protect the mission and yourself from exploitation. Remember to think OPSEC.

# Excellence in all we do, personal responsibility

By Lt. Col. Timothy Ferguson

39th Security Forces Squadron commander

Even though we just finished a major inspection, it is important for all personnel to stay vigilant when it comes to maintaining our core values. Our core values are another way of reminding people to do the right thing even when no one is watching.

Remember, this is the first in a series of inspections testing the ability of our wing to do its primary mission. We will be tested three more times over the next eight months.

Ensuring we set the example, take care of our troops and accomplish the mission is a job that falls to all of us every single day, and our core values are a huge part of our daily routine.

As we all go about our daily activities, we all set an example for others to follow, be that good or bad. It is absolutely imperative that all of us in supervisory and leadership positions strive to set the example for our subordinates to follow through our demonstrated actions every day, both on and off duty.

Even though some of these things may seem trivial, everyone is watching you on a daily basis to see how you live up to the standards that are set – like snapping the chin strap on your bike or Kevlar helmets; wearing your reflective gear at night; wearing your seatbelt; smoking only in designated smoking areas and not walking around smoking in uniform; wearing your uniform properly and shining your boots; not walking with your hands in your pockets while in uniform; not stepping over trash instead of putting it in the nearest dumpster, and closing the lid; rendering proper customs and courtesies; and taking a minute to correct those you see not following the rules.

Every person in this wing plays a vital role in getting the mission done. By ensuring we are incorporating our core values into our everyday activities and living up to the personal responsibility we all share as professional Airmen, we can make our work centers, homes, leisure time and lives much productive while demonstrating our pride in serving our country.

## Commander's Action Line program

The Action Line program provides an avenue for the Incirlik community to voice their concerns, complaints and opinions to Col. Michael Gardiner, 39th Air Base Wing commander.

The program should only be used after you've tried resolving the issue through your chain of command.

Submit Action Lines by e-mailing [action.line@incirlik.af.mil](mailto:action.line@incirlik.af.mil) or calling the 39th Public Affairs Office at 6-6060.

Concerns will be edited to 300 words or less. Questions and responses may be printed in the *Tip of the Sword*.





## Ask MEHMET

By Mehmet Birbiri, Host Nation Adviser

### Paying tribute

The Turkish people pay tribute to the father of their modern republic, Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, with nationwide memorial services Wednesday.

During the day, which marks the 66th anniversary of Atatürk's death, the entire country will stop for two minutes at 9:05 a.m., the moment of his death. This includes all vehicles and pedestrians.

The beginning of silence is announced by blowing sirens; car horns; and train, ship and factory whistles. Flags are lowered to half-staff, and the national anthem is played at ceremonies in schools, military units, government offices and factories.

Programs on Atatürk's life and accomplishments are broadcast by the Turkish media all day long.

Atatürk, the founder and first president of the modern Republic of Turkey, was born in 1881 in Salonica, Greece, then a part of the Ottoman Empire. Atatürk was young when his father, Ali Rıza, died. His mother, Zübeyde, had to leave Salonica and move to her brother's farm.

Instead of school, Atatürk worked on the farm, and his mother worried about his lack of schooling. Eventually he returned to Salonica for junior high school.

He successfully took the military school entrance exams in 1893 without telling his mother.

Once there, Mustafa developed a special interest in mathematics. He attempted problems well advanced of those taught in class.

One day the teacher said to him, "Look here, my son. Your name is Mustafa, so is mine. We can't let things go on like this. There must be some distinction between us. I suggest you call yourself Mustafa Kemal from now on." He did; Kemal means perfection.

Mustafa Kemal entered the military academy in 1899. He graduated from general Staff College as a captain in 1905 and was assigned to the 5th Army in Syria. There he saw the disorganization of the army and civilian administration and realized that something must be done to save the country.



File photo

The Atatürk statue located in front of the 10th Tanker Base Command Headquarters is symbolic of Turkish pride in the father of the modern Republic of Turkey.

In 1909, when a mutiny broke out in Istanbul, Mustafa Kemal was an army officer who helped suppress the reactionaries. The same year, the Italians attacked Libya, then a part of the Ottoman Empire. He assumed the duty of organizing the local people against the invaders.

He went from one battle to another. During the World War I, the Ottomans joined the war on Germany's side, fighting against the British, French, Italians and Russians. Mustafa Kemal's defeat of the British armada at Gallipoli made him a hero. In 1915, he was in Diyarbakir and stemmed the Russian advance. In 1916, he was fighting in southern Palestine.

Being on the losers side, the Ottoman armies were disarmed and dispersed. More than that, Adana, Maras, Antep and Urfa were occupied by the French; Konya and Antalya by the Italians; and Istanbul by British troops. On May 15, 1919, Greeks landed at Izmir.

Mustafa Kemal went to unoccupied Samsun near the Black Sea on May 19, 1919 and ignited the War of Independence. Wherever he went, every body – young and old, men and women, officers and civilians – followed him as the only savior of the country.

The Turkish Grand National Assembly opened April 23, 1920, under his chairmanship. A new army was formed and started fighting the occupying armies on all fronts. Three years of occupations finally ended with the defeat of all enemies by the National under Mustafa Kemal's leadership.

The Lausanne Treaty was signed which

gave full recognition and credit to the new state. On Oct. 29, 1923, Mustafa Kemal proclaimed the modern Republic of Turkey and became its first president. Convinced that military victory was not sufficient, he felt the revolution had to be followed by profound economic, social and cultural reforms.

During his 15-year administration, the nation moved forward to western standards. He set up schools in every village and town and changed the Arabic alphabet to Latin.

He separated religious affairs from state affairs. Legal and modern reforms began. Women were granted equal rights. A completely new economic system was constructed and surnames were adopted.

In recognition of his efforts, Mustafa Kemal was given the last name Atatürk, which means father of Turks.

In the short span of his life, this one man achieved the rebirth of a nation. He died in Istanbul Nov. 10, 1938. He was 57 years old.

Today, he lives on in the minds and hearts of Turkish people. He represents a brave history and the future and pride of Turkey.

The ceremony on the base will be held in front of the Turkish Headquarters building Wednesday starting at 8:30 a.m. and ends at about 9:30 a.m. The ceremony is open to the Turkish and American public. You can take pictures and film the ceremony. You don't need to have a special permission for photography or filming the ceremony.

*Do you have a question about something Turkish? Ask Mehmet. To submit a question, call 6-6060 or e-mail mehmec.birbiri@incirlik.af.mil.*

# THE INCIRLIK GUIDE

## Today

**APHA** — The Asian Pacific Heritage Association hosts a monthly potluck meeting at 6 p.m. at the elementary school multi-purpose room. For more information, call Master Sgt. Mills at 6-3514.

## Saturday

**Kids' Day** — The Country Plains Riding Club sponsors a fall festival from noon to 3 p.m. The festival will be at the stables and features pony rides, games and bouncy castles. The cost is \$10 per child. For more information, call Angela at 6-2153 or Dawn at 6-5234.

## Monday

**Stress management** — The family support center sponsors a stress management class today, Nov. 22 and 29 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For more information or sign-up, call the FSC at 6-6755.

**Babysitting certification** — The Red Cross sponsors a babysitting certification course today and Tuesday from 4 to 7 p.m. The cost is \$35 per person. For more information or to sign-up, call the Red Cross at 6-6639.

## Tuesday

**PTSC** — The next IAHS Parent-teacher-student club meeting is 6 p.m. at the high school media center. For more information, call Senior Master Sgt. John Herkel at 6-6439.

## Wednesday

**Incirlik employment** — The

family support center sponsors an Incirlik employment class from 8 to 10 a.m. The class provides information on sources of local employment targeted to spouses looking for work. For more information or to sign-up, call the FSC at 6-6755.

## Upcoming

**Parent-teacher conferences** — Incirlik High School sponsors parent-teacher conferences Nov. 15 from 10:30 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the elementary school multi-purpose room. For more information, call 6-6330 or 6-6484.

Incirlik Elementary School sponsors parent-teacher conferences Nov. 12 at 11 a.m., and Nov. 15 to 16 at 8 a.m.

**Commissioning** — The education center sponsors an Air Force commissioning-opportunities briefing Nov. 16 at 9 a.m. The briefing is by appointment only. For more information, call the education center at 6-9664.

**Bundles for babies** — The family support center sponsors bundles for babies Nov. 17 from 5 to 7 p.m. Air Force Aide Society donates a layette to participants. The program is for women in their third trimester of pregnancy. For more information or to sign-up, call the FSC at 6-6755.

**Budgeting** — The family support center sponsors a budgeting class Nov. 18 from 1 to 3 p.m. For more information or to sign-up, call the FSC at 6-6755.

**International Spouses Group** — The family support center sponsors an International Spouses Group meeting Nov. 18 from 5 to

6 p.m. For more information or sign-up, call the FSC at 6-6755.

**Swing dance** — The community center sponsors swing dance lessons starting in November. The cost is \$25 per person or \$40 per couple. For more information, call the community center at 6-6966.

**Family appreciation day** — The family support center sponsors military family appreciation day Nov. 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Arkadas Park. The FSC will provide food, ice cream, carnival games, entertainment and activities at no charge. For more infor-

mation, call the FSC at 6-6755.

**Club member event** — The Club sponsors "Get in on it," a club member appreciation event Nov. 20. The event includes an Effes Brewery Tour and light lunch. Transportation is provided. Sign up at the Club's cashier cage. For more information, call the club at 6-6101.

**Morning Star dancers** — The community center sponsors the Native-American dancers, Morning Star dancers, Nov. 29 at 6 p.m. For more information, call the community center at 6-6966.

## COMBAT & SPECIAL INTEREST PROGRAMS



## Today

**Crossroads Café** — The 8 a.m. Service hosts food, fun and fellowship at the Crossroads Café from 7 to 11 p.m. For more information, call Senior Airman Tianna Milagro at 6-6441.

## Saturday

**Crossroads Café** — The 6 p.m. Service hosts food, fun and fellowship at the Crossroads Café from 6 to 10 p.m. For more information, call Senior Airman Tianna Milagro at 6-6441.

**Bible study** — The chapel sponsors Catholic Saturday morning Bible study at 8:30 a.m. in the chapel conference room. For more information, call Michael Luna at 6-9180.

## Thursday

**PYOC** — The Protestant Youth of the Chapel seventh to 12th graders Bible study is Thursdays from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Crossroads Café and 3 to

4:30 p.m. Sundays at the youth center. For more information, call Shane or Melanie Parrish at 6-5709.

## Upcoming

**Pilgramages** — The chapel is sponsoring pilgrimages to Gaziantep, Urfa, Harran and Antioch. For more information, call the Chapel at 6-6441.

## Ongoing

**Reading Patch Club** — Read books and earn patches and prizes at the library. The club is open to grades kindergarten through twelfth. Sign up at the library.

**CCAF** — To get help with starting on a Community College of the Air Force Degree program, call the education center and set up an appointment at 6-3211.

**MGIB** — For answers to questions about the Montgomery GI Bill, visit [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov).

# Combat Proud

## Base Pride... Mission Pride

# Native-American History Month

## YOUR TURN

To submit a question for "Your Turn," call 6-6060 or e-mail [tip.sword@incirlik.af.mil](mailto:tip.sword@incirlik.af.mil)

### How will you celebrate the fall season?

"It's my husband's birthday (Oct. 31). We had a party and decorated our house."

— **Airman 1st Class**

**Britani Rafferty**, 39th Communications Squadron



"Nov. 15 we will celebrate the end of Ramazan, which started Oct. 15, with lots of candy, kissing other people's hands as of sign of respect and buying new clothes to visit friends and family in."

— **Sevim Kiyici**, main exchange Silver Bazaar



"Just looking forward to seeing my son and his friends put on their costumes for Halloween, eat candy and have a lot of fun."

— **Tech. Sgt. Dale Goods**, 39th Mission Support Squadron



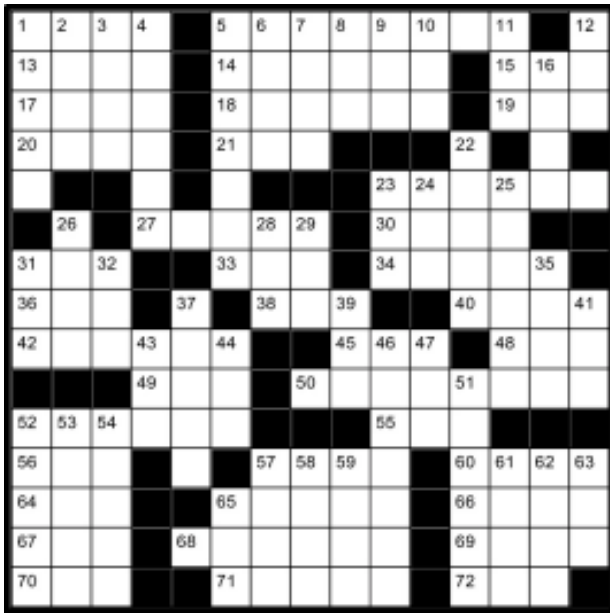
"(I plan to celebrate by) spending quality time with my husband, traveling around Turkey and getting ready for the holiday season."

— **Norma Valentin**, Army and Air Force Exchange Service



"I like to dress my daughter up for Halloween and take her trick-or-treating."

— **Senior Airman Nikohl Cotton**, 39th Logistic Readiness Squadron



Solution will be printed in the Nov. 12 edition of the *Tip of the Sword*

By 1st Lt. Tony Wickman  
Alaskan Command Public Affairs

#### ACROSS

1. Navajo Indians performed this talking during WWII
5. Ben Nighthorse \_\_\_\_; Native American senator
13. Fibber
14. Disney's \_\_\_\_ & Company
15. Army commissioning source
17. \_\_\_\_ mater
18. Textile dealer
19. Draft
20. Barley and buckwheat
21. A Stooge
23. Native American tribe of Southwest
27. Mars
30. Site of a leaning tower?
31. Commotion
33. Morgue status, in brief?
34. Kingdom
36. Body of water

38. Flightless bird
40. in \_\_\_\_ of; instead of
42. Chickasaw awarded Medal of Honor for action in Korean War
45. Mai \_\_\_\_ drink
48. Fox rival
49. Anger
50. Winnebago awarded Medal of Honor for action in Korea
52. \_\_\_\_ corpus
55. Fed. organization concerned with drug trade
56. Pie \_\_\_\_ mode (2 words)
57. Columbian river
60. Part of a ship
64. Desire
65. Agenda
66. Gumbo need?
67. Before, in the old days
68. \_\_\_\_ Childers; Native American awarded WWII Medal of Honor
69. Earl Grey and green

70. Space shuttle, in brief
71. Irish poet
72. Jingles

#### DOWN

1. First Native American to graduate from Naval Academy
2. Greasy
3. Lady
4. Deleted
5. Direct, as in troops
6. A summer sign?
7. Swampy land
8. Plumbing pipe, in short
9. Something in a bonnet?
10. Mistake
11. Group
12. Cleopatra killer?
16. Moolah
22. A type of passage?
23. Spring mon.
24. Dessert
25. Type of cat?
26. Thought
28. Part of a foot
29. Penn movie, "I Am \_\_\_\_"
31. Burn residue
32. Rowing need?
35. Restaurant list
37. Beastly
39. Native American tribe of Southwest
41. German conjunction?
43. Compete
44. Vote in favor
46. Abusers
47. Beverage need?
51. Native American tribe of Plains
52. Pima Indian who raised flag over Mt. Surabachi
53. Warn
54. Ruins
57. Cylinder
58. What the princess had in her mattress?
59. Lean, like on ship
61. \_\_\_\_ a living; got by
62. Epochs
63. \_\_\_\_ Vegas
65. Attempt



## CLASSIFIEDS

**For sale/give away:** Microwave oven, LG Model MS1917H, 800W/220V, \$40; Fiesta Gas Grill, 2 burner with Turkish LP cylinder and adapter, \$20; Brother sewing machine, only does simple stitches but works, free. Call Daryl or Toni at 6-2383.

**For sale:** 1995 Nissan Primera - air conditioner, CD player, automatic windows, 4-cyl-

der, Japanese specs, runs great, \$3,000 OBO. Call Lenny anytime at 6-5759 or 0535-618-9792.

**For hire:** Technician to provide on-site customer support for PC desktops and workstations and assistance to network DODDS-E customer service support center. Interested persons should send their resume to Gloria Navarro-McDermott, human resources manager, at [HRDIV@cox.net](mailto:HRDIV@cox.net).

**For hire:** Embry-Riddle is looking for a center director of operations. Candidate should possess a master's degree, strong customer service skills and supervision experience. For more information, call the ERAU office at 6-1098.





Photo by Senior Airman Dallas Edwards

## Oktoberfest

Peggie Lawson (left), 39th Contracting Squadron procurement technician, and Tech. Sgt. Shelly Murphy, 39th CONS contract administrator, make potato cakes during the Incirlik Oktoberfest celebration at Arkadas Park Saturday. The Incirlik community came out for the services hosted event which featured food, live entertainment and a kids zone. For more information regarding upcoming services events, pickup the November copy of *The Happenings* magazine



## AT THE MOVIES

### At the Oasis

#### Today

##### **Superbabies: Baby Geniuses 2 (PG)** –

Starring Jon Voigt and Scott Baio. The baby geniuses find themselves at the center of a scheme and in a race against time, to stop the villainous powerful media mogul Bill Biscane, from using his state-of-the-art satellite system to control the minds of the world's population. Showing at 7 p.m. (90 minutes)



##### **Resident Evil: Apocalypse (R --first run)**



– Starring Milla Jovovich and Jared Harris. Alice, the only surviving member of the elite military force that attempted to keep the zombies confined to the underground facility, finds herself

teaming up with Jill Valentine and others to stop the zombies from spreading outside of Raccoon City, which were all but obliterated by the creatures. To make matters worse, there is a creature named Nemesis hunting them. Showing at 9 p.m. (101 minutes)

#### Saturday

##### **Superbabies: Baby Geniuses 2 (PG)** –

Starring Jon Voigt and Scott Baio. Showing at 5 p.m. (90 minutes)

##### **Resident Evil: Apocalypse (R --first run)**

– Starring Milla Jovovich and Jared Harris. Showing at 7 p.m. (101 minutes)

#### Sunday

##### **Collateral (R)** –

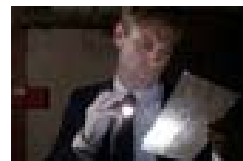
Starring Tom Cruise and Jamie Foxx. A struggling comedy writer named Max, who drives a cab in Los Angeles to earn a living, gradually realizes that the passenger he's been driving around all day is a hit man who has been rubbing out people at every stop. Max has to figure out how to prevent the killer from knocking off his last victim and how to come out of the situation alive. Showing at 7 p.m. (127 minutes)



#### Thursday

##### **Suspect Zero (R)** – Starring Aaron

Eckhart and Ben Kingsley. FBI Agent Thomas Mackelway investigates the murder of a traveling salesman Harold Speck, which



turns out to be the first of three seemingly random killings. Or perhaps they are not random at all. The

assignment consumes him. His past mistakes haunt him. His head throbs constantly, as he tries to find the link between the victims that will lead him to their killer. Showing at 7 p.m. (127 minutes)

### At the M1

**King Arthur (PG-13)** — 11:30 a.m., 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. (126 minutes)

**The Forgotten (PG-13)** — Noon, 2:15 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. (96 minutes)

**Exorcist: The Beginning (R)** — 11:15 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. (114 minutes)

**Dodgeball (PG-13)** — 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. (92 minutes)

**Collateral (R)** — 11:45 a.m., 4 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. (120 minutes)

**For more information and updates, call the movie recording at 6-6986 or the theater office at 6-9140.** The provision of movie information does not constitute an endorsement by the 39th Air Base Wing, U.S. government, Department of Defense or Department of the U.S. Air Force. For more information, call the theater at 6-6986.